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NO!!!!

THE CURRENT PROPOSED MICROSOFT SETTLEMENT IS A TRAVESTY OF JUSTICE.

Section III.A.2. allows Microsoft to retaliate against any OEM that ships Personal Computers containing a competing Operating System but no Microsoft operating system.

THIS IS COMPLETELY AND UTTERLY UNACCEPTABLE! WHAT DOES IT TAKE FOR YOU PEOPLE TO DEFEND YOUR CITIZENS AGAINST SUCH PROFOUNDLY OFFENSIVE MONOPOLY PROTECTIONISM? IT IS ABSOLUTELY ASININE THAT SUCH A PROVISION CAN BE FOUND IN AN OPERATING SYSTEM MONOPOLY SETTLEMENT. WHO WAS BRIBED? WHO WAS WEAK? WHO WAS EXASPERATED?

Back to the drawing board, people.

SUCH PROVISIONS PROMOTE AND EXTEND MICROSOFT'S POSITION AS A MONOPOLY. FOR THE GOVERNMENT TO ACCEPT SUCH PROVISIONS INDICATES THAT THE MICROSOFT MONOPOLY IS SANCTIONED BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. THIS PROVISION (AMONG OTHERS) MUST BE REMOVED.

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